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To our valued legislators:

I would like to voice my deep concern to the proposed legislation in bill 6949 regarding vaccination requirements. While I am not against the science behind vaccinations per se, I am very much against laws that devalue and undermine our civil liberties. This bill would be a problem for many reasons.

One problem is that it unfairly hinders people who are disadvantaged economically from being able to opt out for religious purposes. (Which should ABSOLUTELY be upheld, as religious freedom is one of the founding principles of our great nation!). It is a burden and a hardship to require a notary signature on these forms.

Secondly, this will possibly be used against parents in unintended ways during legal proceedings. I have heard concerns from parents about these forms being used to remove children from their homes. I have heard concerns that people will be targeted for their private religious beliefs from people who have no right to be included in the conversations taking place between a doctor and their patient. This violates the HIPPA laws currently in place.

Please consider this a flawed and intrusive bill and vote against it.

Thank you,
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